Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Mary Zorc was born on January 30, 1909, to Joseph and Rosie Zorc at Pittsburg, Kansas, and moved with her family to Ziebach County, South Dakota, in 1912; and,

Whereas, Mary attended Olsen Rural School through the 6th grade and helped on the family farm cutting hay, cultivating corn, driving a horse team, and carrying cream cans; and,

Whereas, Mary married Myron Maher on June 24, 1933, and to that union two children were born, Mary Jean and Robert "Bud"; and,

Whereas, Mary earned $5.00 per week in her first job washing dishes in the café in Eagle Butte. She continued to work in Eagle Butte as a switchboard operator, at the local grocery store, the municipal liquor store, and volunteered to deliver groceries or mail for neighbors after she retired; and,

Whereas, Mary is a woman of many talents and is remembered most for her gardening skills providing neighbors and friends with tomatoes, corn, potatoes, beets, and carrots; and,

Whereas, Mary resides at Sturgis Regional Senior Care, and will be honored for her 101st Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather on July 10, 2010, to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 10, 2010, as

MARY MAHER DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-first Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Teresa Bray, Deputy

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State